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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated July 6, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response that expires on October 6, 2006. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks begin on page 37 of this paper.**

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